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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR Section 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and that the documents listed in this statement be considered by the Examiner and made of record in this case. Applicants are informed that no electronic Form 1449 is available or necessary to complete the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. If the Examiner requires a paper Form 1449 in order to make these documents of record, the Examiner is requested to so inform Applicants, who are willing to supply the forms. In accordance with 37 CFR Section 1.97g and h, this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to the patentability as defined in 37 CFR Section 1.56b. Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case. This Information Disclosure Statement is for our Attorney Docket No. 1002243. This is electronic Information Disclosure Statement 1 of 2, filed today, August 30, 2004. A paper Information Disclosure Statement containing Foreign Art and Other Art has also been submitted today, August 30, 2004. The \$180.00 required fee has been included in the paper filing. Therefore, no fees are included here. Please charge any additional fees required under CFR Section 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account 231925.

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Dear Wayne:

Enclosed for your file is a copy of an Amendment and Response which was filed via facsimile with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office today in connection with the above-referenced patent application.

We will otherwise continue to keep you apprised of the status of this patent application. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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